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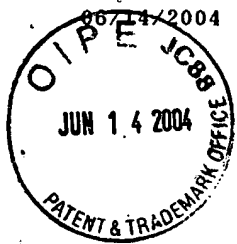
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Applicant : YASUHITO INAGAKI et al.
Filing Date : March 10, 2004
TC/A.U. : 1713
Examiner : not yet assigned
Title : METHOD FOR PRODUCING A
HIGH-MOLECULAR WEIGHT
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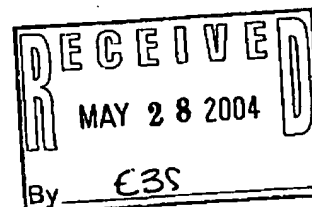
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Attorney Docket No.:	09792909.5873
First Named Inventor:	YASUHIRO INAGAKI
Title:	METHOD FOR PRODUCING A HIGH MOLECULAR WEIGHT FLOCCULANT
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 800 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ This Form includes the Fee Transmittal (See Box 19)
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Prior application information: Examiner Name: Bernard Lipman Group Art Unit: 1713

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